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Mr. Harry Overs
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Department of Health, Education & Welfare
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Baltimore, Maryland 21235

Dear Sir:

The Office of Joint Computer Support has been simulating both RCA 501 and 301 computer programs on an IBM 360 since 1973. These programs have been functionally stable since that time and have been running virtually without error.

We will be pleased to share with you any programs or information we may have about the operation of these simulator packages. I am advised it is quite possible you will be able to install the 301 simulator with little effort on your System 360.

At your convenience, you may contact Mr. [REDACTED] Chief, Operations Division, Office of Joint Computer Support on [REDACTED] We are pleased to be of assistance in this matter.

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Dear Sir:

It has come to our attention that your agency may be in the possession of a simulator package that will allow RCA 301 computer programs to be processed on an IBM 360 computer.

Our RCA 301 computers were rather uniquely configured and these programs are currently processed with a special Spectra 70/35 emulator. The configuration was as follows: one RCA 381 six-pack tape unit with Sense Read Error Enhancement, the standard RCA Model 333 drum printer, an IBM 1402 card reader/punch and an RCA Model 3485 seven track tape unit which was hard-wired to accept instructions intended for an IBM Model 729-IV tape unit.

It is possible that this agency's flexibility in making future plans would be greatly enhanced if this simulator package could be adapted to handle our RCA 301 programs. Should your agency be willing to share this simulator with us, we would first review it to determine the extent of the modifications required. Your office could either furnish the name and phone number of your responsible analyst or make direct contact with the Systems Support Branch of the Bureau of Data Processing on (301) 594-7567.

Your assistance and cooperation in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Harry Over
Acting Director
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